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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 10564

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: UR, EG
SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN/SOVIET RELATIONS: IN SUSPENSE

1. CAIRO PRESS JUNE 24 CARRIES BRIEF MENA DISPATCH
ATTRIBUTING TO EGYPTIAN MININFO SPOKESMAN A STATEMENT
DEBUNKING "RECENT NEWSPAPER REPORTS" ON STATUS SOVIET/
EGYPTIAN RELATIONSHIP. ACCORDING MENA IT IS "PREMATURE"
SPECULATE ON BREZHNEV VISIT TO EGYPT LATE THIS YEAR.
EGYPT IS EAGER TO SOLVE BILATERAL PROBLEMS BUT "NO PROGRESS
HAS BEEN MADE AS YET".

2. COMMENT: LOCAL PRESS HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO UNDERSTAND
THAT MININFO STATEMENT IS, IRONICALLY, RESPONSE TO RECENT
MENA DISPATCH FROM BELGRADE CITING "WELL INFORMED SOURCE"
AS SAYING BREZHNEV WILL VISIT BEFORE END OF 1977. MENA,
THEREFORE, IS DENYING ITS OWN STORY, PRESUMABLY ON MFA
INSTRUCTIONS.

3. MININFO STATEMENT ACCURATELY REFLECTS STATE OF PLAY
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AS WE UNDERSTAND IT TO BE FROM OUR GOE SOURCES; I.E.,
GROMYKO VISIT WILL DETERMINE WHETHER ANY "CONCRETE
MEASURES" WILL YET EMERGE FROM MOSCOW TALKS. BREZHNEV
VISIT WILL, OBVIOUSLY, HINGE ON AGREEMENT ON AND IM-
PLEMENTATION OF SUCH CONCRETE MEASURES.
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